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Race 1

#10 Top Tiara – Faced better in turf starts; knocking on the door of late...looks tough.
#8 Family Label – Came to life on lawn; blinkers addition can only help the cause.
#7 Glistening Star – Tossed blinkers aside and took a big step forward; must consider.
#9 Babe Raham Jan – Takes a big drop fresh; might add some spice to gimmicks.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 10/8-7/9-3-5-1

Race 2

#1 Hat of Jacks – Strong local score on the drop last out; edge in anybody's race.
#6 California Coast – Has recent excuses; can put it back together on the drop.
#8 True Ten – Sliding down the class ladder; lured Corey for today's assignment.
#5 Sky Blue Magnolia – Back in top form; returns to preferred distance for this one.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 1-6-8-5-7-4-3-1a-2

Race 3

#1 Ordinary Love – Fits like glove off bench; might enjoy advantageous pocket trip.
#7 Very Elegant – Earned class hike off sharp win; may have found her niche.
#2 Sheazprado – Touch of class for top team; appears very well intended here.
#3 North of Eden – What you see is what you get and it might be good enough here.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 1-7-2-3-9-4-6-5

Race 4

#9 Ashy Taty – Even effort in first try; well-drawn outside with major right to improve.
#3 Whew – Sneaky good sprint pedigree; Mr. Steve gives leg up to capable bug boy.
#8 Phearless Phyllis – Bred to dash; ready off works for sneaky good operation.
#10 Lullingstone – Held her own with better; one of two live shots for Hancock.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 9-3-8-10-1-5-4-2-6-7

Race 5

#3 Walker's Way – Has held his own with better on turf; better than he looks.

#10 Prado's Smokin – Game maiden score; in position for perfect, pressing trip again.

#5 Malibu West – Smoked soft group of maidens; back quick, arrow pointing up.

#6 Avail Ekati – Faltered with much better in lone turf try; fits like a glove with these.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 3-10-5-6/1-8-9-4

Race 6

#3 Private Vigilante – His sire was a monster at two; \$100K buy for Mr. Steve.

#6 Uncle Pappy – Dam a half to \$749K Behaving Badly; \$90K buy looks ready.

#10 Gotta Go -- \$250K buy debuts for Mr. Ian; versatile pedigree, sire was 2yo champ.

#8 Shakedown – Disappointed in debut, but Corey back aboard for Mr. Steve.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 3-6-10-8-5-7-4-2-9-1

Race 7

#2 Lunar Approach – Her dam was graded stakes place on turf; risk worth the reward.

#3 Flying Tipat – Tossed in rare clunker in last; good as any in here with A-game.

#4 Deedeezee – Has run some big races on grass; can bounce back for new barn.

#1 China Grove – Sophomore with a touch of class; pedigree says born to mow lawn.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 2-3-4-1-9-6-8-5-7

Race 8

#6 Drop Dead Red – Huge win off the Mr. Tom claim two back; excuse slop clunker?

#9 Blackberry Farm – Recent win was more impressive than it looks; price in open race.

#1a Wholehearted – Keeps getting better; two for the price of one for Mr. Kenny.

#5 Champagne Problems – Rates on consistency; must include in gimmicks.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 6-9-1a-5-3-8-10-2-1-4

Race 9

#9 Run Tappy – Sharp 3rd in debut run; full to G1 Gazelle winner Dance Card = route.

#7 Sakonnet – Clearly the best turf resume; late runner finally gets over the hump?

#10 Hour City – Has his share of excuses; blinkers can only help...price will be right.

#1 Iconic – Post hurt the cause in last; much better trip expected from the rail today.

Joe's SELECTIONS – 9-7/10-1/5-11-8/6-2